CHAPTER 160

MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT — NURSING HOMES — CARE FOR SEX OFFENDERS IN SECURE UNITS $H \ F \ 708$

AN ACT relating to Medicaid reimbursement for services to individuals who meet the nursing home level of care and are required to register as sex offenders.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT — NURSING FACILITY LEVEL OF CARE — SECURE UNIT — INDIVIDUALS ON SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY. No later than January 1, 2024, the department of health and human services shall establish and report to the governor and the general assembly a reimbursement rate add-on methodology under the Medicaid program for services provided by a skilled nursing facility or nursing facility that designates a secure unit, that is separate and secure from residents with chronic confusion or a dementing illness and all other skilled nursing facility and nursing facility residents, to provide services to individuals that are required to register as sex offenders pursuant to chapter 692 and who meet nursing facility level of care requirements. The methodology shall provide for inflation of the reimbursement rate add-on, annually, from the midpoint of the prior state fiscal year to the midpoint of the current state fiscal year using the currently available CMS/SNF index.

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